



**VOSH PROGRAM DIRECTIVE: 12-151A**

**ISSUED: May 15, 1997**

**SUBJECT: Incorporation into Part 1926 those Part 1910 General Industry Safety and Health Standards determined to be Applicable to Construction Work**

**A. Purpose.**

**CHANGE I** of this directive transmits to field personnel the above-referenced Incorporation of General Industry Safety and Health Standards Applicable to Construction Work. **CHANGE II** removes requirements which govern electrical safety-related work practices that were improperly placed in the text of the Incorporation of General Industry Safety and Health Standards Applicable to Construction Work which was originally published in the Federal Register on June 30, 1993.

*This Program Directive is an internal guideline, not a statutory or regulatory rule, and is intended to provide instructions to VOSH personnel regarding internal operation of the Virginia Occupational Safety and Health Program and is solely for the benefit of the program. This document is not subject to the Virginia Register Act or the Administrative Process Act; it does not have general application and is not being enforced as having the force of law.*

**B. Scope.**

This directive applies to all VOSH personnel.

**C. Action.**

The Deputy Commissioner, Directors and Managers shall assure that field personnel understand and comply with the provisions of the standards affected by the Incorporation of General Industry Safety and Health Standards Applicable to Construction Work.

**D. Effective Dates.**

CHANGE I: August 1, 1994  
CHANGE II: December 15, 1996

**E. Expiration Date.**

Not Applicable.

**F. Background.**

**CHANGE I:** On June 30, 1993, federal OSHA published in the *Federal Register* (58 FR 35076) a group of final rules collectively entitled, "Incorporation of General Industry Safety and Health Standards Applicable to Construction Work." Besides updating certain standards previously identified as applicable to construction and incorporated into the Construction Industry Safety and Health standards (29 CFR part 1926) the regulatory text of over 50 General Industry Safety and Health standards (29 CFR part 1910) which previously had not been identified by federal OSHA as applicable to construction work.

On November 15, 1993, the Safety and Health Codes Board adopted an identical version of federal OSHA's incorporation of standards. Because Virginia already had its own unique standards, the Board did not adopt two of the standards included in this incorporation: Access to Employee Exposure and Medical Records for the Construction Industry, § 1926.33, and Sanitation Standards for the Construction Industry, § 1926.51.

This incorporation of standards became effective in Virginia on March 1, 1994.

**CHANGE II:** On June 30, 1993, federal OSHA published the Incorporation of General Industry Health and Safety Standards Applicable to Construction Work (58 FR 35076). However, the preamble to the final rule for Electrical Safety-Related Work Practices (55 FR 31984, August 6, 1990) clearly stated that §§ 1910.333 and 1910.334 did not apply to construction employment although these sections were included in the incorporation of standards as applicable to §§ 1926.416(a)(4), (f) and (g) and 1926.417(d).

On September 30, 1996, the Safety and Health Codes Board adopted an identical version of federal OSHA's revisions, with an effective date of December 15, 1996.

**G. Summary.**

**CHANGE I:** The adoption by the Safety and Health Codes Board of these general industry regulations, combined with those 1926 standards already in existence but not affected, now provide a single free-standing volume of construction standards, with the exception of standards noted above. Many of the general industry standards included in this incorporation have long been applied to construction employment. This incorporation also provides "1926" numerical designations for these corresponding construction standards.

**CHANGE II:** This amendment deletes the regulatory text which incorporated §§ 1910.333 and 1910.334 of the General Industry standards into §§ 1926.416(a)(4), (f) and (g) and 1926.417(d) of the Construction standards. These sections involve the electrical safety-related work practices.

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Commissioner

E-Attachment: CHANGE I: None. Standards have already been included in the VOSH Standards  
CHANGE II: 61 FR 41738 (August 12, 1996)  
[http://www.osha.gov/FedReg\\_oseha\\_pdf/FED19960812.pdf](http://www.osha.gov/FedReg_oseha_pdf/FED19960812.pdf)

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**INCORPORATION OF GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS  
APPLICABLE TO CONSTRUCTION WORK**

AS ADOPTED BY THE  
VIRGINIA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH CODES BOARD

DATE: November 15, 1994



VIRGINIA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAM

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

EFFECTIVE DATE March 1, 1994

Incorporation of General Industry Safety and Health Standards  
Applicable to Construction Work

When the regulations, as set forth in the Incorporation of General Industry Safety and Health Standards Applicable to Construction Work, are applied to the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry and/or to Virginia employers, the following Federal terms shall be considered to read as below:

FEDERAL TERMS

VOSH EQUIVALENT

29 CFR

VOSH Standard

Assistant Secretary

Commissioner of Labor and Industry

Agency

Department

June 30, 1993

March 1, 1994

July 28, 1993

March 1, 1994

**INCORPORATION INTO PART 1926 THOSE PART 1910 GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS DETERMINED TO BE APPLICABLE TO CONSTRUCTION WORK;  
CORRECTING AMENDMENT**

AS ADOPTED BY THE  
VIRGINIA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH CODES BOARD

DATE: September 30, 1996



VIRGINIA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAM

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 15, 1996

Incorporation of General Industry Safety and Health Standards  
Applicable to Construction Work

When the regulations, as set forth in the correcting amendment to the Incorporation of General Industry Safety and Health Standards Applicable to Construction Work, are applied to the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry and/or to Virginia employers, the following Federal terms shall be considered to read as below:

Federal Terms

VOSH Equivalent

29 CFR

VOSH Standard

Assistant Secretary

Commissioner of Labor and Industry

Agency

Department

August 12, 1996

December 15, 1996